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New Board

Meet the new LARC Board of Directors for this year: Thank you for your hard work and dedication

to amateur radio

President: Randy Gottfred VA3OJ

Vice President: Robert Hanson VE3RVA

Treasurer: Bill Unger VE3XT

Secretary: Karl Hamilton VE3RRP

Board Member: Mike Skillen VE3EDX Board Member: Andy Malcom VE3INI Board Member: Terry Stewardson VA3LU Board Member: Mark Vaillant VA3MVR



Confederation College McIntyre Building Room 214



Hymers Fall Fair Display

Once again hard working members of the Lakehead Amatuer Radio Club manned a display at the very popular Hymers Fall Fair. Many thanks to those that helped out this year.



Um guys....most people plant veggies out here Bob VE3RVA and Bill VE3XT planting aluminum

The first Fair in Hymers was held on September 12, 1912. Since then the current Fair grounds were purchased and many buildings added, but the true country spirit of that very first market still remains.



(above) Doug VE3EC and Bob VE3RVA selling electrons, (left) Bob has drafted the family to help out

LARC SENATE

Robert Hansen VE3RVA
Dave Kimpton VE3AVS
Laurie Bridgett VE3BCD
Terry Stewardson VA3LU
Ed Baumann VE3SNW

LARC EXECUTIVE

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LARC Emergency Coordinator Brad Harris VE3MXJ 767-0628

ARES District Emergency

Coordinator

vacant

CANWARN

VA3JMS John 767-3631 VE3MXJ Brad 767-0628

Public Service Events VA3JMS John 767-3631

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ABOUT US

The Lakehead Amateur Radio Club (LARC) is an incorporated not for profit group of amateur radio operators in the Thunder Bay area that meet for self education, community service and fellowship. Our meetings are the second Thursday of the month at room 191 McIntyre Building, Confederation College, 7:30 PM. Our postal address is 1100C Memorial Ave. Suite 184, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7B 4A3. This newsletter is published monthly except for July and August by Ed Baumann VE3SNW and questions and submissions may be emailed to hiqnewsletter@gmail.com

Nets in the Thunder Bay Area

Sunday AMETHYST ARES VHF NET, on VE3TBR 146.820- pl 107.2 IRLP Ref. # 9031 @ 0045Z (7:45 pm), also Cook County ARES Response Team (CARRT) net at 0100Z (8 pm) on the BWARC repeater, Grand Portage repeater - 146.655 with CTCSS 151.4

Monday SATERN NET on VE3TBR 146.820- pl 107.2 IRLP Ref. # 9032

SATERN DIGITAL NETS on Monday & Wednesday nights

8 pm- 14.065 9 pm- 7.065 10 pm- 3.5835

Mode: Olivia 8/500 1000Hz waterfall centre

Every Day The NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO ARES NET, every evening at 8:15PM (local) on 80m 3.750Mhz (note the time does not change with daylight savings time.)

Any questions on these or other nets please feel free to contact me at my e-mail: ve3mxj@rac.ca

LARC OPEN ACCESS REPEATERS

VE3YQT(Mount Baldy)147.060 (-600) Phone Patch

VE3TBR (St. Joseph's) 146.820 pl 107.2

442.075 (+5 MHz)pl 100 144.390 APRS

VE3UPP Upsala 145.470 (-600)

Minutes for the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

Date: September 10, 2015 President, Randy Gottfred VA3OJ Presiding.

President Randy Gottfred VA3OJ conducted the election of a new Board of Directors.

New Board:

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Treasurer's Report: Bill Unger VE3XT

Bill Unger VE3XT moved to accept the report as printed in Hi-Q. Seconded by Robert Hanson VE3RVA. Passed Unanimously.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Karl Hamilton VE3RRP moved to accept the June's meeting's minutes as printed in Hi-Q. Seconded by Terry Stewardson VA3LU. Passed.

Old Business:

Public Service (John Sacek VA3JMS public events coordinator)

Past Events:

Hymers Fall Fair Labour Day Weekend, was very successful, our participation generated a lot of interest in Ham radio Xterra Triathlon, Sleeping Giant Park on Aug 29, went off without a hitch.

Upcoming Events:

Caribou Bike Ride Sunday September 13, with a new course.

CIBC Run for the Cure Sunday October 4th Santa Claus Parade November Santa Shuffle December

CANWARN John Sacek VA3JMS

We had annual training June 15th. No Canwarn nets were called this summer.

ARES Brad Harris VE3MXJ Thunder Bay EC

Fred Lesnick VE3FAL resigned as District Emergency Coordinator. Thank you Fred for your years of service.

Daily NW ON HF 3750 Khz, 8:15 ET if an operator is available

SET will be coming up in October. Details at the October meeting.

Repeater News Randy Gottfred VA3OJ, **Terry Stewardson VA3LU**

10 metre repeater is almost on the air. VE3TBR needs new VHF Antenna. Motion by Karl Hamilton VE3RRP, seconded by Brad Harris VE3MXJ:

Moved to purchase a new vertical antenna to a maximum expenditure of \$500.00, to be priced and purchased by Terry Stewardson VA3LU on behalf of the club for installation at the VE3TBR site. Passed.

Club Trailer: **Bob Hansen VE3RVA**

Bob is looking for sign sponsorship, and an indoor winter storage site.

Weekend License Course

Two new hams graduated from our course: Cody Cheesman VE3CHM in Terrace Bay, and Brandon Rehfuhs VE3OTV in Murillo.

New Business

New meeting room this semester is Room 214

50/50 Draw: Robert Hanson VE3RVA

Adjournment moved by: Chris Chadwick VA3TBA

Next Executive Meeting: October 1, 2015, 7:30 PM, RM 214 **Next LARC Meeting: October 8,** 2015, 7:30 PM, RM 214

HI-Q Journal of the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club Prez Sayz What the LARC Does

Hello everyone. We are starting a new year in the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club. First off, I would like to thanks the members of the executive from last year. These volunteers attend meetings and give of their time to help make this club what it is. They may not hear the thanks but they are worth their weight in gold.

To the executive for 2015/16, please accept my welcome and thanks for stepping up to the plate. Many of the executive expressed that they would like to continue doing the work that they started last year. During the elections, when called upon to continue, they accepted the challenge and when no one else chose to run, they were acclaimed. This strong charge is what swayed me to volunteer to run as president again. So when you go to the meeting take some time and thank these folks that give of their time to make your club run. Without them, I would not have to write this note.

To our editor, you tirelessly toil to give this news letter to the members of our group. A big thanks goes out to ED the Ed(itor) for all the tidbits and newsworthy items that appear each month. Keep the input coming because I know that Ed appreciates help to fill the pages.

I know that this letter goes out to many, yet our membership still continues to drop. I hope that through this medium, I can encourage those that were past members to show your support and come forth with club dues. We use the funds to support and sponsor club activities that benefit you. From these funds, we can pay for repeater repairs and projects, club events and pay for the admin costs for meeting rooms. This all costs dollars and with the support of the group, we can continue to provide the services that we need. Do your part and help to build the membership.

Something that I would like to offer is a chance for any members that have something different or new and exciting to bring in whatever it is to do a little show and tell. Many amateurs hide little goodies in their shack, but fail to share. If it is illegal or immoral, it might be good to keep it hidden. If it is interesting or you just want to show it off, bring it out and we will make time for you.

Well, my spot is full and time to get some serious radio work done. See you at the meeting and hear you on the air.

Randy OJ

WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU CROSS A CENTI-PEDE AND A PARROT?



A WALKIE TALKIE!

BILL VE3XT

As part of our intentions to keep the membership better informed and highlight our community involvement, the executive has decided to keep a total of the community service hours the LARC gives to the community. We will have a running total over the course of a year and update it monthly in Hi-Q.

2015

If you organise a community event please contact any executive member with the total hours you and your team has given.

September Caribou Charity Ride 42

Community Service hours

Total 1 Event 42 Hours Total

Courtesy of Jan VA4JRS http://www.guitarworld.com/guitarists-communicate-morse-code-metal-video/25523

our neighbours at the Hymers Fall Fair



apparently these lasses have a thing for radio operators especially the one on the far left

Seems logical to me A woman asks her husband, a programmer, to go shopping.

Wife: "Dear, please, go to the grocery store to buy some bread. Also, if they have eggs, buy 6." Bill VE3XT "O.K., hun."

Half hour later the husband comes back bringing 6 loaves of bread. His wife is flabbergasted.

Wife: "Dear, why on earth did you buy 6 loaves of bread?"

Bill VE3XT: "They had eggs."



Lakehead Amateur Radio Club

September 2015 Treasurers Report

Balance September 1, 2015	<u>\$860.20</u>	
<u>Income</u>		
Memberships, September 16	\$485.00	
50/50 Draw, September 16	\$16.00	
Total Income	<u>\$501.00</u>	
<u>Expenses</u>		
10 Stamps, B. Unger, September 3	\$9.61	
Field Day Food, R. Gottfred, September 3	\$35.00	
Receipt Book, B. Unger, September 10	\$5.86	
Hymers Gas, B. Hansen, September 10	\$32.00	
Total Expenses	<u>\$82.47</u>	
Balance September 30, 2015	<u>\$1,278.73</u>	

\$774.20
\$0.06
\$774.26
\$0.00
\$774.2 6

Term Account	
September 01 2015 Balance	\$2,045.86
Interest, September 30	\$0.67
September 30, 2015 Balance	\$2,046.53

Bill Unger VE3XT Treasurer

Amateur Radio Emergency Service A.R.E.S.

Operating Your Ham Radio in an Emergency

You hope it never happens, but what if worse comes to worst? All emergencies are different, of course, so a step-by-step procedure is not going to be very useful. Here are some solid principles to follow instead, based on the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Field Resources Manual.

When disaster strikes, do the following:

- 1. Check that you, your family, and your property are safe and secure before you respond as an emergency communicator (emcomm) volunteer.
- 2. Monitor your primary emergency frequencies. (147.060-) VE3YQT REPEATER.
- 3. Follow the instructions you receive from the net control or other emergency official on the frequency.

Check in if and when check-ins are requested.

4. Contact your local emergency communications leader or designee for further instructions.

Thank you,

Brad VE3MXJ CEC

P.S. more info. Next month

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Special Presentation

At the club meeting this Thursday, Lindo Scalese VE3NHX from the technical support branch at our local radio/television station will be presenting everything you wanted to know about the new emergency broadcast system







October 2015

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
5	6	Phone Fray	8 LARC Meeting ConCollege McIntyre Bldg Rm 214 at 1930	9	10 - 10 Day Sprint <i>QRP ARCI</i> Fall QSO Par- ty	11
Thanksgiving Happy Thanksgiving Day	13	CW ops Mini- CWT Test	15	South Dakota QSO Party	17	18
Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	Halloween Feld Hell Sprint	